27. The Divine Life Society, Bhanjanagar Branch, P.O. & Block Bhanjanagar, Dt. Ganjam.

28. VISWAS Khariar Road Nawapara Block, Kalahandi Dt.

Modification of Existing purchase policy by Kapurthala Rail Coach Factory

2265. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Punjab has urged the Minister of Railways to modify the existing procedures and purchase policy adopted by Kapurthala Rail Coach Factory; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the response of the Railways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Computerised Reservation System

2266. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Railway stations where computerised reservation system has been introduced;

(b) whether it is a fact that in some stations, only some trains have been brought under this scheme;

(c) whether there is any proposal to complete the whole system; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) whether there is also any proposal to introduce computerisation in more stations elsewhere in the country; if so, what are details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Four Railway stations already have computerised reservation systems. These are Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras.

(b) and (c) In the case of Madras, the system presently does not cover all trains, due to inadequacy of computer hardware. Additional hardware is under procurement and is expected to be installed by July 1989 when the remaining trains would also be covered.

(d) Work is in progress for providing computerised passenger reservation system in five cities, viz. Secunderabad, Lucknow, Bhopal, Bangalore and Ahmedabad. The following nine cities have also been included in the Works Programme for 1989-90:

Pune, Guwahati, Jaipur, Patna; Gorakhpur, Trivandrum, Jammu, Bhubaneswar and Cuttack.

Introduction of Shatabdi Express between Delhi and Jhansi

2267. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) when was the Shatabdi Express introduced between Delhi and Jhansi;

(b) as on date, what had been the total income generated by this train;

(c) what is the capacity of the train;

(d) what is its monthwise occupancy since it was introduced; and

(e) what are the reasons for which the Railways extended the train to Bhopal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) 10th July, 1988.

(b) Train-wise statistics are not maintained.

(c) 467 Chair Car seats